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My name is Sharri Lungarini, my son Wyatt has both Autism and Fragile and is non-verbal. Due to my son's Birth to Three experience I change my career path to early intervention and now work for a Birth to Three Agency. A huge part of my son's success with Birth to Three was ABA services with a BCBA. I am enthusiastically endorsing and in favor of SB1089 Sections 23-29 and ask you to pass this bill. ABA services is vital to this state in helping our children. Behavior analysts often work with the most vulnerable of populations (e.g., those with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder, intellectual disability, other developmental disabilities, and behavior disorders). Licensure will provide consumers of behavior analysis (e.g., families, public school districts, DDS, private insurance providers, and Medicaid providers) a means of regulating the practice of applied behavior analysis (ABA). The time for change is now and our children this need this service desperately.

Thank you,

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